

U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
POLLUTION/SITUATION REPORT
Lajoies Junkyard Fire - Removal Polrep
Initial and Final Removal Polrep



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
Region I

Subject: POLREP #1
Initial and Final
Lajoies Junkyard Fire

Norwalk, CT
Latitude: 41.0867210 Longitude: -73.4169110

To: Polrep Distribution, USEPA-R1

From: Marcus Holmes, On-Scene Coordinator

Date: 3/29/2012

Reporting Period: 03/28/2012 - 03/28/2012

1. Introduction

1.1 Background

Site Number:	Contract Number:
D.O. Number:	Action Memo Date:
Response Authority: CERCLA	Response Type: Emergency
Response Lead:	Incident Category:
NPL Status: Non NPL	Operable Unit:
Mobilization Date: 3/28/2012	Start Date: 3/28/2012
Demob Date: 3/28/2012	Completion Date: 3/28/2012
CERCLIS ID:	RCRIS ID:
ERNS No.:	State Notification:
FPN#:	Reimbursable Account #:

1.1.1 Incident Category Emergency Response

1.1.2 Site Description Site is an automotive junkyard located in a commercial/residential area.

1.1.2.1 Location 40 Meadow Street, Norwalk, CT.

1.1.2.2 Description of Threat Fire in the junkyard engulfing buildings and igniting a nearby fluff pile. Potential for hazardous gas release from the various items in the fluff pile.

1.1.3 Preliminary Removal Assessment/Removal Site Inspection Results

2. Current Activities

2.1 Operations Section

2.1.1 Narrative

At approximately 1445 on 03-28-2012, OSC Holmes was deployed to a fire that occurred at a metal recycler in Norwalk, CT. Apparently, the fire occurred as a result of their shredding operation and spread from the shredder to the entire building. A nearby fluff pile was also impacted in the fire and oil from the shredder leaked into an on-site drainage system.

2.1.2 Response Actions to Date

US EPA deployed to supplement CT DEEP's air monitoring with handheld HCN Dragers, HCN AreaRAEs and Dataram particulate monitors.

At approximately 1615, CT DEEP provided an update from the scene that the fire was extinguished and that contractors were hired by the RP and were on-scene. The oil that released from the shredder was contained on-site via a closed drainage system that led to an oily water separator. The RPs contractors pumped oil from the oily water separator and removed contaminated soils with oversight by CT DEEP.

OSC Holmes demobilized on-route to the scene at approximately 1618.

2.1.3 Enforcement Activities, Identity of Potentially Responsible Parties (PRPs)

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2.1.4 Progress Metrics

<i>Waste Stream</i>	<i>Medium</i>	<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Manifest #</i>	<i>Treatment</i>	<i>Disposal</i>

2.2 Planning Section

No information available at this time.

2.3 Logistics Section

No information available at this time.

2.4 Finance Section

No information available at this time.

2.5 Other Command Staff

No information available at this time.

3. Participating Entities

No information available at this time.

4. Personnel On Site

No information available at this time.

5. Definition of Terms

No information available at this time.

6. Additional sources of information

No information available at this time.

7. Situational Reference Materials

No information available at this time.